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### Robbery Victim Uses Nose to Call for Help

An "educated nose" this week extricated a Harbor City service station attendant from an unhappy situation.

James P. McLaughlin, 26, told investigating officers that he was robbed of \$2,000 by a robber who simulated a gun in his pocket. The attendants said that he was forced to surrender the money in the safe of the service station, located at 905 W. Pacific Coast Highway.

After taking the money the bandit tied McLaughlin hand and foot with plastic rope. Unable to wriggle free, he writhed across the floor to the telephone, knocked it from the hook, and dialed the operator with his nose.

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**BEANSTALK**—Phillip Friedman, 3, of 1645 Fern Avenue, Torrance, reaches the top of an imaginary beanstalk featured in "Imagination in Play," exhibit of toys for children at the California Museum of Science and Industry in Exposition Park through February 5. Museum staff member Tena Bolin, left, assists Phillip and Judy Madsen, 4, of Vista. Museum is open daily from 10 to 5. There is no admission charge.

### Founders Day Fete to Celebrate First Birthday of Area Hospital

Arrangements were completed yesterday for the Founders Day dinner sponsored by the Advisory Board of the Little Company of Mary Hospital. It is anticipated that the evening affair, to be held at the Plush Horse on January 25, will become an annual benefit for the hospital building fund.

Guest for the evening will be Robert I. Plomert Jr. recently retired president of the advisory board, who was charter president and active in the organization of the hospital building fund which resulted in the erection of the new medical facility.

Judge William E. McFaden will be master of ceremonies for the dinner according to Sam Levy, president. Judge McFaden, a hospital board member, will call upon Rabbi Henri Front for the invocation. Rt. Rev. Msgr. Thomas J. O'Dwyer will give a brief history of the hospital. Rev. Mother M. Patricia will review the current operations.

Special invitations to the affair are being mailed to the mayors of the South Bay cities and other dignitaries according to Fred W. Mill, chairman of the dinner. Tickets for the dinner may be

secured at the following locations: Torrance Chamber of Commerce, Hermosa Chamber of Commerce, Redondo Chamber of Commerce, Little Company of Mary Hospital, Redondo Trading Post, Harbor Savings and Loan Association, and Sam Levy's Department Store, according to George Post.

#### PLANS FOR LOMITA

Approval of plans and specifications for construction of a street in the Lomita area was announced Tuesday by Supervisor Burton W. Chase. The tract, which contains four home sites, is located in the vicinity of Oak Street and 253rd Place. Chase said the subdivider is undertaking the street improvements at an approximate cost of \$1,200.

### POLICE STATEMENT

(Continued from page one) lem recruiting the proper caliber of man for the Police Department. The requirements for the Torrance Police Department are more strenuous than most cities and equivalent to the Los Angeles Police Department and the Los Angeles Sheriff Department. At the present time we have three men attending the Sheriff's Academy and processing an additional five, preparing them for their entrance into the Academy.

"During the time that unemployment exist, the crime rate will go up, which seems to be the condition of today. So once again the Police Department has re-assigned their personnel. We have done this by staggering the work hours in such a manner as to have the greatest number of cars in the field at the peak hours. Foot patrolmen have been assigned to crucial areas. More man power will be requested in the forthcoming budget. At the present time the number is unknown. The Police Department feels that the men are doing a tremendous job under the conditions prevailing. It is constantly being evaluated by the Administrative Heads of the Police Department."

"The Police Department will always fight crime with every means at their disposal. These men are dedicated to law and order. They are always striving to reach higher goals in their fight against crime." "The Police Department

cannot do this alone. It is a job for the whole community. The only way that this goal can be reached is by the closer cooperation between citizens, businessmen and the Police Department."

### High School Grid Stars Will Be Honored Jan. 30

Presentations of trophies to gridlers from North, South and Torrance High, who made the Torrance Press' All-American City Football team, will be made on the night of Jan. 30, at the Gable House Bowl, Hawthorne and Sepulveda. It was announced jointly by Mike Callas of this newspaper and Jerry Homel of the eatery.

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